Bio for William Whited William Whited, Oklahoma State Long-Term Care Ombudsman



William Whited serves as the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman for the State of Oklahoma. He is responsible for the daily operations of the Oklahoma Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program and systems and legislative advocacy for long-term care residents.

He earned a Bachelor's degree in Sociology from the University of Central Oklahoma, is a Certified Public Manager and is a certified disaster preparedness specialist. He has more than two decades of experience in the development and delivery of aging, mental health, juvenile justice, and human services programs in Oklahoma. His background includes 22 years of service with the Oklahoma Department of Human Services including service as an Adult Protective Services investigator before becoming a Long-Term Care Ombudsman in 2003. He has served as an Ombudsman Program Field Representative, Deputy State Long-Term Care Ombudsman and became the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman in 2015. He currently serves as a member of the Long-Term Care Facilities Advisory Board, The Focus on Excellence Advisory Board, and the Alliance on Aging Board of Director's.

He has previously served as the Chairman of the Oklahoma County Coalition Against Financial Exploitation of the Elderly (CAFEE), and on the Board of Directors for Oklahoma Court Appointed Advocates for Vulnerable Adults.